

REMARKS

Claims 1-27 are pending. Claims 1, 14 and 27 have been amended.

Claim Objections

The Patent Office objected to claim 14 because of an informality.

Claim 14 has been amended.

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 101

The Patent Office rejected claims 1-27 under 35 U.S.C. § 101 for being directed to non-statutory subject matter.

Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection; however, claims 1, 14 and 27 have been amended to more particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

Allowable Subject Matter

The Patent Office indicated that Claims 1-27 would be allowable if amended to overcome the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 101.

Applicant thanks the Patent Office for the indication of allowable subject matter. Applicant understood that the reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter given by the Patent Office at Page 3 of the Office Action were made in accordance with the following instruction per MPEP § 1302.14:

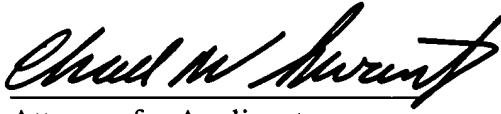
“The statement is not intended to necessarily state all the reasons for allowance or all the details why claims are allowed and should not be written to specifically or impliedly state that all the reasons for allowance are set forth.”

CONCLUSION

In light of the forgoing amendments, reconsideration of the claims is hereby requested, and a Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited.

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